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(b) whether the Government of India have consulted this Government regarding the permit system; and

(c) if so, the reply given by the State Government?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) Some inconvenience is inevitable in any permit system, but no cases of serious hardship have been brought to the notice of the Government.

" (b) & (c) The Government consider that it is not in the public interest to give the information asked for."

Number of Ministers residing in Government quarters.

* 77 Q.—SRI V. GURUNANDAN ROW : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state the number of the Ministers who are residing in Government quarters and the number and names of the Ministers who are receiving house rent allowance in cash?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Three Ministers are now residing in Government quarters. The following five Ministers including the Chief Minister are receiving the house rent allowance of Rs. 250 per mensem :—

(1) Sri K. Kamaraj Nadar,

(2) ,, M. Bhaktavatsalam,

(3) ,, C. Subramaniam,

(4) Raja Sri Shanmuga Rajeswara Sethupathi, and

(5) Sri B. Parameswaran."

Number of Juvenile Courts in the Madras State.

* 78 Q.—SRIMATHI MARY C. CLUBWALA JADHAV : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Juvenile Courts in the Madras State, the position of these Juvenile Courts and whether the Government have any programme for expansion of these Courts in all districts of the State; and

(b) whether the Government have any proposal to appoint Honorary Lady Magistrates in the State for this work?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) Six; at Madras, Vellore, Madurai, Tiruchirappalli, Kozhikode and Salem.

" There is no definite programme of expansion but the Government are always ready to consider the desirability of setting up such courts wherever statistics would justify such a course.

" (b) There is no such specific proposal, but as far as possible, women are being appointed as Magistrates for this work."